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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re: Application of Sullivan, et al. For IMPROVED MULTI-LAYER GOLF BALL Serial No. 08/926,872 Filed September 10, 1997 Group Art Unit 3711 Examiner R. Gordon Attorney Docket No. SLD 2 0121 P4628-D1 Cleveland, Ohio 44114-2518 September 13, 2000

RESPONSE

Box AF Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 13, 2000. A request and payment for a three-month extension of time to respond to that Action accompanies this response, extending the period for reply to September 13, 2000.

Please amend the present application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 3 and 8 as follows.

1. (Thrice Amended) A three piece solid golf ball comprising:

a center core, an intermediate layer, and a cover enclosing the core through the intermediate layer;

said center core having a diameter of at least 29 mm (1.1417 inches) and a specific gravity of less than 1.4;

said intermediate layer formed of an ionomer resin base composition and having a thickness of at least 1 mm (0.03937 inches), a specific gravity of less

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